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### BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING SEEKING ENVIRONMENTAL AWARD NOMINATIONS

The Utah Board of Oil, Gas and Mining is accepting nominations for year 2003 Earth Day Awards. Earth Day Awards recognize mining and oil and gas operators who go beyond what is required by regulation when reclaiming project sites, or those who develop innovative environmental technology.

“There are many mining and oil and gas companies who regularly accomplish more than required while reclaiming sites,” said Board Chairman Elise Erler. “Earth Day Awards recognize these operators who sincerely strive to protect our environment while providing essential natural resources.”

All privately owned (non-governmental) oil, gas and mining entities in Utah are eligible for consideration. Private organizations and individuals who have demonstrated successful environmental technologies are also eligible.

Nominations will be accepted until January 31, 2003. Selected nominees will then be asked to attend the board’s regular March meeting. At this time each nominee will provide supporting information they believe qualifies them for recognition. Those selected to receive an award will be notified and asked to return during the board’s regular April hearing to receive their award.

For more information contact Jim Springer, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210, P.O. Box 145801, Salt Lake City, Utah, 84114-5801. Or call (801) 538-5324 for nomination forms and information.